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SUBJ: CASP FOR BRAZIL-FY 75-76 (U)

A. JCS (J-5) 181353Z JUN 74

1. (S) REF A REQUESTS USSOUTHCOM'S COMMENTS RE AMBASSADOR  
CRIMMINS OVERVIEW ASSESSMENT IN THE FY 75/76 CASP SUBMISSION.

CHUSDEL JBUSMC IS OF THE OPINION THAT

THE AMBASSADOR'S CASP COMMENTS DO NOT DENY THAT THE MILITARY  
ELEMENT IS IMPORTANT: RATHER, THEY RECOGNIZE THE POLITICAL AND  
COMMERCIAL ASPECTS OF THE APRESENT USG/BRAZIL RELATIONSHIP  
AS BEING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT AT THIS TIME. THE AMBASSADOR'S  
REQUEST FOR AUTHORITATIVE CONFIRMATION

OF BRAZILIAN ARMED FORCES' POTENTIAL TO US

DEFENSE WAS AN EFFORT TO REINFORCE THE US SECURITY ASSISTANCE

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PROGRAM FOR BRAZIL.

2. (S) THE BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT SEES ITS ROLE AS AN EXTENDED ARM OF THE US FOR PROTECTION OF SEA LINES OF COMMUNICATION IN THE SOUTH ATLANTIC, MUCH THE SAME AS THE US VIEWS HER ROLE IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC. THE IMMEDIATE QUESTION APPEARS TO CENTER ON WHETHER THE BRAZILIAN NAVY IS NOW PROGRAMMED TO FILL A SURVEILLANCE/ASW ROLE IN SUPPORT OF THE TOTAL FORCE POLICY AND, IF SO, WHAT FORCE STRUCTURE IS REQUIRED. AN AUTHORITATIVE STATEMENT FROM THE JCS WOULD ASSIST THE AMBASSADOR AND THE COUNTRY TEAM TO IDENTIFY BRAZILIAN FORCE MODERNIZATION NEEDS IN THE LIGHT OF REAL CONTINGENCY COMMITMENTS RATHER THAN POSSIBLE HEMISPHERIC THREATS.

3. (S) THE USSOUTHCOM SUBMISSION NOTED THAT LATAM NATIONS COULD MAKE A LIMITED CONTRIBUTION TO TOTAL FORCE POLICY BY MAINTAINING THEIR OWN INTERNAL SECURITY AND BY OFFERING TOKEN FORCES TO OPERATE IN CONJUNCTION WITH US FORCES. IN VOL I OF THE JSOP, THIS WAS REITERATED WITH THE PROVISOR THAT MATERIAL AND TRAINING ASSISTANCE BE CONTINUED. SINCE BRAZIL HAS A POTENTIAL CAPABILITY FOR SUPPORTING THE TOTAL FORCE POLICY AND IS PRESENTLY ENDEAVORING TO DEVELOP A STRONG MULTI-ROLE FORCE, IT WOULD APPEAR TO BE IN THE USG'S INTEREST TO BEGIN NOW TO DEVELOP A "COOPERATIVE PARTNERSHIP" IN DEFENSE OF THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE AND SOUTH ATLANTIC.

4. (S) USSOUTHCOM AGREES THAT A REVIEW OF BRAZIL'S ROLE IN HEMISPHERIC DEFENSE WOULD BE USEFUL BUT RECOMMENDS THAT IT BE ACCOMPLISHED BY THE JCS RATHER THAN AN INTERAGENCY GROUP SINCE THE SUBJECT CENTERS ON DEFENSE OPERATIONAL MATTERS. HOWEVER, IF THE JCS FEELS THE INTERAGENCY IS A MORE APPROPRIATE FORUM TO CONDUCT THIS STUDY, USSOUTHCOM WOULD OFFER NO OBJECTION. IT IS RECOMMENDED, THEREFORE, THAT JCS PROVIDE THE US AMB A CLEAR DEFINITION OF THE ROLES AND MISSIONS TO BE ASSUMED BY BRAZIL IN SUPPORT OF THE TOTAL FORCE POLICY. SUCH AN AUTHORITATIVE STATEMENT CONCERNING BRAZIL'S ROLE, REQUIRED LEVEL OF READINESS, AND MAJOR EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS WOULD PROVIDE THE CHUSDEL JBUSMC AND HIS BRAZILIAN COUNTERPARTS THE INFORMATION NECESSARY FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF A TIME-PHASED MODERNIZATION PROGRAM IN SUPPORT OF US DEFENSE INTERESTS.

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